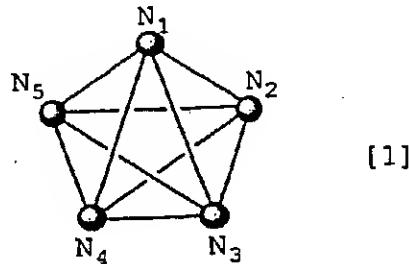


ABSTRACT

A compound or a salt thereof having the atom corresponding to N<sub>1</sub> and the two or more atoms selected from N<sub>1</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>5</sub>, said atoms constitute the pharmacophore represented by the following formula:



and inhibits the activity of transcription factor AP-1 and is useful as an agent for preventing and treating the diseases into which over expression of AP-1 participates and as an AP-1 inhibitor.

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